

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
APPROPRIATIONS**

Wednesday, August 29, 2007

9:00 a.m.

Room 352, State Capitol

The House Standing Committee on Appropriations was called to order by the Chairman, Representative George Cushingberry, Jr.

An Invocation was offered as a moment of silence.

Members present: Representatives Cushingberry, Bauer, Bennett, Byrnes, Cheeks, Espinoza, Gonzales, Hammel, Hood, Jackson, Lahti, LeBlanc, McDowell, Sak, Alma Smith, Spade, Vagnozzi, Acciavatti, Caswell, Shaffer, Amos, Booher, Hansen, Proos, Agema, Moss and Nofs.

Members Absent: Representatives Gillard, Brandenburg and Caul.

Representative Hammel moved that all absent members be excused. Representative Hood supported the motion. Without objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chairman made opening remarks regarding the date being the 2nd Anniversary of Hurricane Katrina. He also commented on the Upper Peninsula Fire and the State Fair. Chairman Cushingberry asked for prayers for Representative Caul during his absence.

Chairman Cushingberry place before the committee:

SB 675	Kahn	Appropriations; natural resources; natural resources trust fund; provide appropriations for.
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The Chairman recognized Representative Kahn for an overview of the bill.

Representative Lahti moved to report the bill with recommendation.

Representative LeBlanc supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 27-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Cushingberry, Bauer, Bennett, Byrnes, Cheeks, Espinoza, Gonzales, Hammel, Hood, Jackson, Lahti, LeBlanc, McDowell, Alma Smith, Spade, Tobocman, Vagnozzi, Acciavatti, Caswell, Shaffer, Amos, Booher, Hansen, Proos, Agema, Moss, and Nofs.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

Chairman Cushingberry laid before the committee:

HB 4668	LeBlanc	Law enforcement; records; fee for processing name-based criminal record check; provide for.
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A testimony card was submitted by Greg Zarotney, representing the Michigan State Police, not wishing to speak but in support of the bill.

Representative LeBlanc moved to adopt the substitute (H-1) to HB 4668.

Representative Hammel supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 27-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Cushingberry, Bauer, Bennett, Byrnes, Cheeks, Espinoza, Gonzales, Hammel, Hood, Jackson, Lahti, LeBlanc, McDowell, Alma Smith, Spade, Tobocman, Vagnozzi Acciavatti, Caswell, Shaffer, Amos, Booher, Hansen, Proos, Agema, Moss, and Nofs.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

Representative LeBlanc offered the following amendment to HB 4668 substitute (H-1):

1. Amend page 1, line 3, following "\$30.00," by inserting "until October 1, 2010".

Representative Lahti supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 27-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Cushingberry, Bauer, Bennett, Byrnes, Cheeks, Espinoza, Gonzales, Hammel, Hood, Jackson, Lahti, LeBlanc, McDowell, Alma Smith, Spade, Tobocman, Vagnozzi Acciavatti, Caswell, Shaffer, Amos, Booher, Hansen, Proos, Agema, Moss, and Nofs.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

Representative Tobocman moved to report HB 4668, with substitute (H-1) as amended, as substitute (H-2).

Representative LeBlanc supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 27-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Cushingberry, Bauer, Bennett, Byrnes, Cheeks, Espinoza, Gonzales, Hammel, Hood, Jackson, Lahti, LeBlanc, McDowell, Alma Smith, Spade, Tobocman, Vagnozzi

Acciavatti, Caswell, Shaffer, Amos, Booher, Hansen, Proos, Agema, Moss, and Nofs.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

There being no further business before the committee Representative LeBlanc moved that the committee adjourn. The motion was supported by Representative Hammel. Seeing no objection, Chairman Cushingberry adjourned the meeting, the time being 9:45 a.m.

Representative George Cushingberry, Jr. Chair_____

Darlene Moore, Committee Clerk, (517) 373-2994